

United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case No. F-2019-06626

Ms. Emma Best MuckRock News DEPT MR 74348 411A Highland Ave. Somerville, MA 02144-2516

Dear Ms. Best:

This is to inform you that the Chairman of the Department's Appeals Review Panel ("ARP") has received your letter of August 23, 2019, appealing the above Freedom of Information case.

Please note that the authority of the Appeals Review Panel is limited to examining the information in documents actually denied. Since your request is still being processed, there is no action for the ARP at this time.

Should you have any questions concerning the status of your request you may contact <u>FOIAStatus@state.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Jori Hartmann

Appeals Officer

Office of Information Programs

and Services